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 2. Food Depots
 3. Declaration of Martial Law

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1. About 15 October 1951, a Soviet vessel unloaded 500 crates of rifles at Durres. The rifles were 7.64 and 7.45 mm. and of various models, some as old as 1891, others, 1938.
2. Between 50 and 60 heavy Maxim-type machine guns, with ammunition, also were delivered at Durres (sic - on 15 October?).
3. Large depots for storing food have been constructed on the state farms at Hamalle near Durres, and at Llakatund near Vlone. The two farms support a total of 5,000 head of cattle.
4. A state of siege has been proclaimed throughout Albania.¹

1. Comment: According to information published in late October 1951 by Albanian emigres martial law was proclaimed in Albania by order of Soviet Minister Chuvakin.

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